

W. PARK ARMSTRONG, JR.

Park Armstrong was born in 1907 in Princeton, New Jersey. After attending Lawrenceville and Andover, he received a B.A. degree from Princeton University in 1929. For the following 13 years he engaged in the investment banking business in New York City. In 1942 Mr. Armstrong joined the Board of Economic Warfare in Washington and specialized on economic intelligence in the Far East, particularly the heavy industries and raw materials of Japan and the mainland. In 1943 he was commissioned in the Army and assigned to G-2, General Staff, where he carried on duties in connection with economic intelligence relating to the Japanese theater of war. In September 1945, Major Armstrong was assigned to the U.S. Strategic Bombing Survey, as Chief of its Basic Materials Division, and went to Japan to direct the analysis of the effects of the Allied war efforts against the heavy industries of that country. For work during the war he was awarded the Legion of Merit. The following spring, upon being demobilized, Mr. Armstrong joined the then new intelligence organization of the Department of State as an assistant to the Special Assistant to the Secretary for Intelligence. In December 1946 he was appointed Deputy Special Assistant to the Secretary and in January 1948 was appointed the Special Assistant for Intelligence by Secretary of State Marshall.

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